STATE OF MAINE
PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

Docket No. 99-125

July 7, 1999

CENTRAL MAINE POWER COMPANY Establishment of Short-Term Energy-Only Rates ORDER ON MOTION FOR CLARIFICATION

WELCH, Chairman; NUGENT and DIAMOND, Commissioners

I. SUMMARY OF DECISION

In this Order, we clarify the reporting requirements included in the Order Approving Stipulation issued May 28,1999 in this proceeding.

II. DISCUSSION

On May 28, 1999, this Commission approved Central Maine Power Company's (CMP's) Chapter 360, Section 3(B) avoided Short-Term, Energy-Only (STEO) rates, as agreed to by the parties, for the period June 1, 1999 through February 29, 2000. In our Order approving the STEO rates, we required CMP to file a report with the Commission on August 1, 1999 that examines market operation and prices from May 1 through August 1, 1999. On June 8, 1999, CMP filed a Motion for Clarification requesting more direction on these reporting requirements. Specifically, CMP suggested the Order be modified to state that: a) the report should cover the period from May 1, 1999 through July 31, 1999; b) CMP should file the report as soon as final energy clearing prices are available for that period, and c) the report should provide a summary of monthly average on-peak and off-peak energy clearing prices. On June 10, 1999, S.D. Warren Company filed a letter indicating that it had no objection to CMP's suggested clarifications.

We have reviewed CMP's suggestions and find them reasonable. Therefore, we adopt CMP's suggested modifications to the reporting requirements. In addition, we clarify that CMP's report should also identify all hours during the reporting period in which negative clearing prices or backdown charges occurred, describe the operational circumstances surrounding each occurrence and provide the market clearing prices, and other cost consequences, associated with any such instances.

Accordingly, we

ORDER

1. That the reporting requirements included in the Commission's May 28, 1999 Order, in Docket No. 99-125, are hereby clarified as described above.

Dated at Augusta, Maine, this 7th day of July, 1999.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

Raymond J. Robichaud
Assistant Administrative Director

COMMISSIONERS VOTING FOR: Welch

Nugent Diamond

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